# Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

January, 2012 Montana

## Caseload

- 5,500 children were served this month in this program
- 3,462 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 7.0% of the families entered the program during this period
- · Yellowstone County accounted for 25.3% of all families served

## Children

- 88.6% of children were served in licensed care
- 7.8% of children were cared for by relatives
- · Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 122 hours per month
- · School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 26.2% of all children served
- · White children accounted for 79.6% of all children served

#### **Families**

- 73.7% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.7% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 86.4% of families were headed by a single parent
- 14.3% of families listed TANF as a source of income

# **Expenditures**

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$442 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 7.8% of the cost and the program paid 92.2%
- · Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$498
- · Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$310
- 81.6% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

#### **Counties**

- The highest average cost of care was in Treasure County at \$910 per child
- Garfield County ranks first in relative care statewide with 100.0% of all children cared for by relatives.